



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Hidehei Kageyama et al.

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For: **COMPOSITE HOLDING DEVICE**

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 15, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

- 1 1. (Amended) A composite holding device, comprising:
2 *Sub 1* a casing for accommodating a plurality of holders for holding media to serve either
3 different or similar purposes;
4 a supporting section for supporting said holders to be movable in an axial direction in
5 the casing;
6 a feed mechanism, provided in the casing, for selectively advancing one of the
7 plurality of holders; and
8 a manipulating mechanism for operating the feed mechanism, being adapted to project
9 the tip of one of the plurality of holders out of a fore end opening at a tip of the casing and
10 make usable a tip of one of the plurality of holders,
11 wherein the supporting section is adapted to support a section of each holder such that
12 the supported section is adapted to be rotatably supported in relation to the supporting